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Price: \$2.00 Per Year

United Church

Sunday School, 2 p.m.
Last Sunday's attendance of 101, by a little manipulation becomes, 110. Let us work hard and keep over the 100 mark—after all "earnest work is the easiest."

Public worship, 7:30 p.m.
Throughout our province, next Sunday will be observed as "Father and Son" Sunday. A message of special interest to every father of a son, and every son of a father, will be given by the Minister. Fathers and sons are better people when genuinely chummy with one another, and it can be said, "the religion of Jesus, is the religion of Father and Son."
Music: Good hymn singing by congregation anthem by the choir.
N. W. Whitmore, Minister.

"He Who Gets Slapped"

A great deal of interest surrounds this picture which is to play at the Empress theatre on Saturday. Possibly the greatest one is that it is almost the only attempt to picture Russian literature. Anybody's play scored a sensational hit when produced on the stage in New York by the Theatre Guild with Richard Bennett playing the title role, but it never played outside that city.

Interest attaches to the picture because of the fact that it is the second American production of the noted Swedish director and actor, Victor Sjöström.

WHEN IN EMPRESS DINE AT THE

DOMINION CAFE

ICE CREAM
Candies, Cigars, Cigarettes
Always a Full Stock Carried
We cater to farmers.
GOOD ROOMS
A Place of City Style.

Local Bospiel

The Empress Bospiel which opened this week was confined to local rinks. The ice has been in very good condition, the caretaker fulfilling his duties to the letter. To date the results are as follows:

STORY: Final, Leach vs. Arthur or Caldwell.
ANDERSON: Boyd or Crosbie vs. McEachern or Hall.
FINGLE: Arthur or McEachern vs. Leach or Boyd.
Consolation: Blodgett vs. Clark.

Novelty Bospiel

Next week a Novelty Bospiel will be held by the C.G.T. and C.S.E.T. groups in aid of the United Church building fund. Suitable prizes will be offered. It is anticipated that most rinks will have an equal representation of men and women.

"HEARTS ARE TRUMPS"

What better than a Valentine party for kiddies, and what better than a Valentine tea for grown-ups? On Saturday, February 13, in the gymnasium by the old post office, there will be sport and games for the kiddies from 2 to 4 p.m. and lunch enough for every one of them. Children 10 and under, 10c, 11 and over, 25c.

At 4, the adults come in for their share, and dainty tea and pretties of decoration will be theirs for 25c.

Although the afternoon is sponsored by the Union Sunday School, Executive, everybody will be welcome. Come and see what your piece of the lucky valentine cake contains.

The picture is also unique in that it brings Lon Chaney to the screen in one of his "strange" characterizations. Chaney has one of his strongest parts as "He," the tragic circus clown.

Mrs. Winnifred J. Campbell Passes Away

The death occurred suddenly on Sunday, January 31, of Winnifred Jeannette, wife of Donald James Campbell, of Viewfield, near Bindloss. She was a maternal patient in the local hospital. Deceased was in her thirty-first year and was born in Saskatchewan. Besides her husband, she leaves to mourn her loss, five children the eldest of whom is 10 years old.

The funeral service was held on Wednesday afternoon at the Empress Union Church, Rev. N. W. Whitmore, conducting the service. There was a very large assemblage of friends and neighbors, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Barnes, immediate relatives, present. The Union Church choir attended. Interment took place in the Empress cemetery.

The loss of wife and mother is a heavy one to the father and young family, and deep sympathy is felt for them in their bereavement.

Better Farming Train Dates

Below are the dates on which the Better-Farming Train will be at Empress and nearby points:

January, Feb. 22.
Atter, Feb. 23-24.
Bindloss, Feb. 24-26.
Empress, Feb. 26.
Buffalo, Feb. 27.

This train is expected to reach Empress at 6 o'clock in Friday evening.

S. Morris has sold his general store business at Atter to W. Sneddon, of that village. Both were in Bassano this week in connection with the transfer of the business. Mr. Morris has been a resident of Atter for about eight years. He is thinking of going into farming in the Beiseker district.—Mail, Bassano.

Hardware and Supplies

Ranges and Heaters

Tubs, Wash boilers,

Foot Warmers

Granite, Aluminum and Tinware

Paints, Oils, Glass,

etc.

Nails; etc.

Tinsmithing and Repairs

M. G. BOYD

Alberta Registered Seed Grain

FOR SALE

Registered and EXTRA No. 1 MARQUIS WHEAT
Registered and EXTRA No. 1 VICTORY and BANNER OATS

AT REASONABLE PRICES. High Germination, Clean and True to Type.

For Prices and Particulars apply to—

W. J. STEPHEN, Field Crops Commissioner, Department of Agriculture, Edmonton, Alta.

Local Chapter I.O.D.E. Annual Report for 1925

The Eleventh Annual report of the Empress Chapter of the Daughters of the Empire shows no depreciation of loyalty or interest, although on account of small crops and decreased population we cannot keep pace with former years from a financial standpoint.

Our Empire Day Celebration and Poppy Campaign on Armistice Day are well established annual events, responded to by the town generally. The school prizes are also recognised and form an impetus for greater effort for months before they are awarded.

Besides the regular prizes which we have presented for several years we inaugurated this year a special prize in each class for general proficiency. The prize consists of a flag which is carried by the winner at our Empire Day Celebration and hangs the remainder of the year in the classroom with the name of the winner framed beside it.

At the formal opening of the new school building a year ago the speakers all expressed their appreciation of the interest and help of the Chapter. After the formal opening the building was handed over to the Chapter for the remainder of the evening for a Card Party and Dance, the proceeds of which we devoted towards the renewing of the school library. The pictures we have given at different times were destroyed in the fire, so we still have work to do before the school is as complete as it was formerly.

We have twenty-four members in good standing, and have held ten regular meetings and one special with an average attendance of sixteen. Besides our interest in the school our efforts this year have been devoted to local relief. The sale of tickets this week for the Calgary Fete has increased our treasury by twenty-two dollars. Margaret Reid, Secretary.

New officers: Hon. Regent, Miss Howler; Regent, Mrs. Kenny; First Vice-Regent, Mrs. Crosbie; 2nd Vice-Regent, Mrs. Hall; Secretary, Mrs. Reid; Treasurer, Mrs. Kennedy; Echoes Sec., Mrs. Shannon; Standard Bearer, Mrs. McEachern.

1925 Receipts—
Bal. from previous year \$9 10
Sale of pins 28 00
Sale of poppies 1 05
Profit on sale of Carniv. 21 83
Total 59 98

1925 Disbursements—
Per Capita Tax 24 45
School Prizes 11 19
School Flags 15 52
School Treat 7 40
Local Relief 8 8

Alterations in Respect To Issuance of Leases

An order-in-council recently passed in Ottawa, has the effect of making certain alterations in respect to the issuance of twenty-one year grazing leases.

Under the order of last year the Minister of the Interior was authorised to issue these leases on vacant Dominion land units for agricultural purposes and not fit for farming.

Difficulty was found to exist in the administration of this regulation and the new order cancels this provision and substitutes therefore, the regulation, "that the granting of such leases will not injuriously affect the interests of any bona fide industry already established in the district."

Bob Harrison, buyer for Tossack's men's wear and shoe department, returned this week from a trip to Empress. While there he was the successful bidder, among a number of Calgary merchants for the merchandise stock of the Empress Trading Co. He spent a busy week there packing the goods which are now in Drumheller. —Mail, Drumheller.

Cost of Poppies	11 40
Minute Book	75
Postage and War Tax	
Stamps	9 00
Balance in bank	51 73
Balance on Hand	68 73
	141 95

St. Mary's Church

Sunday, February 7, Sexagesima, Sunday.
Sunday School, 2 o'clock p.m.
Evening, 7:30 p.m.
O. Norton.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. J. Burke, a son, January 30



In Men's Hose

WE ARE SHOWING THE NEW SILK-FACED PURE THREAD SILK OVER FINE LISLE

See these in the : : New Shades for Spring

BLODGETT 'The Mens' Man'

IMPOUNDED
on the S.W. 1/4 15-21-5 west of 4th, One Red Cow, about seven years old, white spot on forehead, branded SW—J. D. Meade, Poundkeeper.

Community HORSE SALE!

AT EMPRESS

Friday, February 26

at 10 a.m.

Farmers having horses for sale, please communicate with Russel Haynes or D. Lush, Empress.

This sale will be Without Reserve. Get your listings in early so as to allow for good advertising.

EMPRESS THEATRE

W. C. BOYD, MANAGER

THIS SATURDAY

"He Who Gets Slapped"

starring LON CHANEY

A Clown's Tragedy. The story of a little circus troupe under a circus tent near Paris. It's a tale woven about the lovely Consuelo and the handsome reckless Bezano, daredevil bareback riders of the circus troupe

NEXT WEEK

"EXCUSE ME"

with Norma Shearer and Conrad Nagel

FOR THOSE

January Coughs and Colds
Rexall Cherry Bark Cough Syrup

Relieves the tickling in the throat.
An excellent sedative and expectorant.

EMPRESS DRUG CO.

A Special Discount of 10 p.c.

will be given on all
Heaters, Foot Warmers, Horse Blankets, Weather Strip and Cream Separators

Also Special Prices on all
Radios in Stock

AT

N. D. STOREY'S

"THE STORE WITH THE STOCK"

Prosperous Settlers Tell of Opportunities Found Here

Fortune in the Ocean

Easy To Identify

Despite all precautions, the engine froze accidentally.

easier for some men

Real Returns Have Been Secure

To seed with or without a nurse crop is a matter of much interest and im-

Winter Eggs and the Feed Bill

know, the feed bill makes heavy in-

Would Abolish Tax

"Castle of Doom" Still Prophecy

That cheerful soul south of the line
who calls himself the "Apostle of

Have Interesting History

Have interesting history.

Claims Voice Will Control Electricity

Control Electric

44-11. *Aluminum Ceiling Damage*

man," has purchased the five-story building in Newark, New Jersey.

Path of Progress Leads to Intel Farming Methods

provinces was that a dying farmer said to his son, "I am going to let

tendent, cannot be laid on the necessity of the irrigation farmer rotating his crops.

Arrests Slower In Old D.

Trade With Japan

Requires Lot of Air

Mad, Wonderful Queens

... walked the streets of London

Plenty of the Old-Fashioned "Sh

nt Citizens who seek the old-fashioned "shinplaster" may be astonished

Introduced Jungle Methods

to table and up the pillars. Dan
had fallen before he was

his cage.

Witness Testified Over Telephone

Not Intended to Catch Sun

lined towers on opposite hills. Iron
rocks are clamped into their walls.

Increased Interest Shown By Horse Breeders In the Western

Statistics show not exactly that horse is coming back, but rather the

Used Saws and Drills

Tools Used By Egyptians
Thousand Years Ago

ones for cutting quartz rocks was the
solar reaction in Egypt six thou-

Siamese cats are first-rate vermin destroyers.

Garnet Wheat Has Created Keen Interest With Farmers Throughout Western Canada

The satisfactory results of tests to which Garnet wheat has been subjected has aroused keen interest throughout Western Canada. Garnet 652, the latest variety of wheat developed at the central experimental station at Ottawa.

According to reports, prairie farmers, anxious to try out the new wheat, are flooding the government experimental stations serving their respective districts with applications for test seed. Although preliminary milling and baking tests have been made, more thorough tests will be conducted before the seed is released for general distribution. A limited quantity of seed has been sent to a number of the experimental stations, which, however, has failed to meet the demand.

Giving details of the development of Garnet wheat, G. E. De Long, B.S.A., assistant superintendent of the Dominion experimental farm, Lacombe, Alta., states that the new wheat has been grown at the Alberta station since 1919. During the period, he says, it required an average of 113 days to mature, while the average for Marquis wheat was 121 days.

In further comparison of the two varieties, Marquis gave an average yield of 48 bushels 7 pounds an acre, against 48 bushels 17 pounds an acre for Garnet Ottawa 652.

Continuing, Mr. De Long says: "Garnet Ottawa is somewhat similar to Ruby Ottawa but in length and strength of straw. Garnet straw also has a tendency to develop the rusty coloration, distinctive of Ruby. The appearance of the seedling crop the appearance of being a very heavy tiller."

Garnet appears to be about midway between Marquis and Ruby in tendency to shatter if allowed to become too mature before harvesting. The experimental station at Lacombe has never had Garnet Ottawa 652 affected to frost during the six years it has been grown.

For this reason no definite information is available concerning the frost resistance of this variety as compared with the others.

In the opinion of Mr. De Long, Garnet Ottawa has a place in Central Alberta and other districts where Marquis is subject to injury from early frosts. Whether advancing the seed week in the year is an advantage is not measured by rust or early frost would justify growing Garnet in preference to Marquis, has not been demonstrated.

"Those farming in such districts should keep in mind that Marquis is accepted as the standard mill wheat throughout Canada and the United States," Mr. De Long advises. "They should also remember that Garnet is a new variety and has not yet proved its worth under varying conditions to the same extent Marquis has."

There is little doubt that Garnet Ottawa 652 will replace Ruby Ottawa 623. The two wheats mature at approximately the same time, but Garnet will outyield Ruby from 10 to 15 bushels per acre and does not shatter to the same extent."

Finding Farm Loans Costly

Rural Credits Act Has Cost Manitoba \$50,000 Since Its Enactment
Since enactment of the provincial Rural Credits Act, Manitoba has suffered a loss of more than \$50,000, according to a report submitted to the minister J. Bracken.

The report, which was prepared by John Wylie, superintendent of rural credits in the province, indicates that the outstanding principal and interest owing the provinces by the 74 rural credit societies was \$1,000,000 at the eight months fiscal year by about \$300,000.

The balance outstanding was shown at \$2,325,531, with an additional interest unpaid at \$175,874.

Remote Police Post

The world's most northerly post, also the most remote of any bureau of investigation, is to be constructed this year for the Royal Canadian Mounted Police at the far end of Ellesmere Island. Building materials and supplies for the post will be carried within a few freighting distance of the point.

To Bring Many Immigrants

Four thousand immigrants will be brought to Canada during 1926 by the Dominion Immigration Board, according to the programme unanimously adopted by the western branch of the organization at its annual session at Saskatoon. The settlers will be carefully selected by the board's European representative.

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Purchase B.C. Timber

British Railways Plans Large Order For Canadian Products
British Columbia has received an order from one of the greatest of British railway groups for 26,000,000 feet of Douglas fir railroad ties. It is stated in official circles. It is pointed out in the same circles that this is more than British Columbia's total export to Britain in 1925.

This breaks the buying tradition of British railways, which has usually been to purchase Canadian timber in bulk. The British railways have declared their intention of giving preference to Canadian timber, provided that the price and other conditions are equal. Also, for the first time, a great British railway group has inserted in its conditions of tender that "preference is to be given to Canadian timber."

The British Columbia timber industry will be enabled to meet this difficulty with regard to price with the help of the low freight rates which are being secured by the Canadian Government Merchant Marine via the Panama Canal, the same authority states.

The decision of the railway group in question to place the contract for railroad ties in British Columbia has been the result of a long and hard fight. The British Columbia timber industry has been fighting for some time to place the contract for ties in British Columbia.

The British board of trade has agreed to use Douglas fir and other spruce in construction of both rowing and motor lifeboats.

Rapidly Forging Ahead

Veteran Shipping Man Foresees Pacific Wreasting Trade Supremacy From Atlantic

Like his illustrious father, Captain John, the veteran shipping man, who started his career in an Ontario logging camp, A. M. Dollar, president of the Vancouver branch of the United States Shipping Association, is rapidly forging ahead as an integral part of the world's commercial routes and today it is a definite and potent force in world commerce.

"During the past decade, the total volume of foreign trade of all the principal countries bordering upon the Pacific has increased enormously and this process is still going on," says Mr. Dollar. "Flowers coming from the United States, Japan and Canada, particularly illustrate that the Pacific Ocean is rapidly forging ahead as an integral part of the world's commercial routes and today it is a definite and potent force in world commerce."

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Proposed Dairy Merger

Reported That a Company May Be Formed For This Purpose

Formations of a holding company, capitalised at around \$100,000,000, merging dairy companies throughout Canada, is mooted, according to The Ottawa Citizen, which reports that the shareholders of the Producers' Dairy Company of Ottawa likely will be called upon to vote on entering into the combine. Under the suggested scheme a holding company for many of the dairies of Canada extending from the Atlantic to the Pacific would be formed. The chief source of capital is reported to be in Quebec, Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg.

The proposed venture goes through, which is considered likely, would cause considerable more than the distribution of milk or farm products will be undertaken. It will include such plants as manufacture of glass bottles, wood cases used in the distribution of milk in bottles and perhaps one or more industries kindred to the dairy trade.

Whaling Industry in B.C.

Some 10,000 barrels of oil were put up by the Consolidated Whaling Company of Victoria, as a result of operations of four stations from May to October last. The oil will be used by the manufacturer for kerosene, lamp oil, and other uses. The company is also used for the culture of herring and trout.

Mr. "Would you accept a pet monkey?"

Sho: "Oh, I would have to ask him. This is so sudden!"

Saskatchewan Butter Production

Total Value of Dairy Products For Province in 1925 Was \$20,945,648
Creamery butter production in Saskatchewan during 1925 showed an increase of more than 2,500,000 pounds as compared with the production in 1924, while dairy products showed an increase of more than \$1,500,000 in comparison with 1924.

Reports received at the dairy branch of the provincial department of agriculture show the total value of dairy products in the province during 1925 was \$20,945,648.

During the year 19,850,000 pounds of creamery butter were manufactured in Saskatchewan compared with 12,885,905 in 1924, an increase of 2,564,095 pounds. The total 1925 output is more than double the production of 1921.

The increased production is attributed principally to an increased interest in dairying, coupled with the use of better cows and improved feeding practices. The dairy industry is now in a position to produce more than 100,000,000 pounds of creamery butter annually, while still a very small branch of the dairy industry, has taken a decided step forward and promises soon to become an important factor in the province's output of cheese.

During 1925 the output of cheese was 232,317 pounds, compared with 165,000 pounds during 1924. The output of cheese made in Saskatchewan was 117,158 pounds.

"Favorable conditions for the consumption of ice cream during the summer season caused a net increase of approximately 40,000 gallons in the quantity manufactured and sold."

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Feed For Livestock

By-Products of Raymond Sugar Factory to Be Put To Use

By-products of the \$150,000 beet sugar factory at Raymond, Alberta, will make that district the great feed ground of Canada. It is declared. These by-products include pulp and molasses which with alfalfa and grain make the most complete feed for cattle, it is stated. Negotiations are now in progress between the sugar company and a big packing concern for the experimental feeding of a large bunch of steers near the factory. The total tonnage of beets sliced at the Raymond factory is about 45,000 tons, which will be increased materially next year. There will be about 2,000 tons of arroy and a large quantity of pulp available this winter for stockmen.

Soldier Settlers Doing Well

Prosperous Conditions In Farming Communities In Alberta

A reasonable indication of the prosperous conditions of many of the farming communities in Alberta is revealed by the fact that the land settlement board at Calgary, payments from soldier settlers are coming in at the rate of from four thousand to five thousand dollars a year. This is regarded as most encouraging, and shows that the men are doing reasonably well. One man came in and paid up his indebtedness in full, turning in to the board the sum of \$2,000.

Never Had a Crop Failure

Horace Johnson, an old-timer of Alberta, has farmed for more than twenty years in the Champlin district, and according to the figures he has kept, has averaged a wheat yield of ten bushels to the acre during that entire period. He has never experienced a crop failure, though he has suffered severely from droughts and natural causes.

Ireland-Newfoundland Air Service

The Irish papers are talking of a possible trans-Atlantic air service between Galway and St. John, Newfoundland, a distance of 1,700 miles. The whole question of aviation in the West Indies and its development on a civil basis is to be discussed at a conference this month.

Interest In Western Canadian Farms

There is further evidence of the awakening of interest in Western Canadian farms on the part of United States officials. The United States has received four hundred inquiries in response to its advertising of Central and Northern Alberta.

There is no redress for the man who has but one suit of clothes.

Western Wheat Straw May Soon Be Used For The Manufacture Of Paper

Sweet Clover Benefits Land.

Crop Every Five Years Followed by Wheat or Barley

The sweet clover benefits the land in at least three ways. First, it adds root fibre to the soil as the plant roots die and decay rapidly after the land is plowed. Next, it renders the soil more permeable to moisture, the decaying roots are of a spongy nature and, as they extend down to more than two feet, there is a tendency to permit the soil to absorb water more rapidly than it would otherwise do.

It is estimated that this feature of soil improvement through sweet clover is one of very great importance in this province. Finally the sweet clover works in very close association with noble forming bacteria. It provides these nodules of little bunches on its roots for the purpose of housing the nitrogen gathering bacteria.

The sweet clover is the most benefit from sweet clover a system of crop rotation should be planned so that the sweet clover occurs on the land once in five or six years so that the manure from the sweet clover. This summerfallow after sweet clover is sown in the fall, the sweet clover will be ready to decay and for the ground to soak up moisture and also give one a chance to kill out any stray plants of weeds or weeds.

Some farmers have attempted to use sweet clover as a summerfallow substitute, but I think it is better to plan a winterfallow a year after the sweet clover. The only way that sweet clover can be used as a summerfallow substitute is to grow the sweet clover under about the 10th of June before it gets too high. If the plowing is delayed the sweet clover grows very high so that there is a great mass of material plowed into the land. This causes the soil to dry out and the decay of the sweet clover is poor crop next year—Professor. Manley Champlin.

Canada's Mineral Production

One of the Greatest Factors in Canada's Industrial Development

Great progress was made in Canada's mineral industry during 1925. Most minerals experienced a boom which carried production in this field far above all previous records. In a statement issued from the Dominion Bureau of Statistics the total value of Canada's mineral output in 1925 is estimated at \$228,440,000, an increase of 10 per cent above the total value of \$207,400,000 in 1924, and more than the previous record of \$227,850,000 attained in 1920 when metal prices were approximately 35 per cent higher than in the year just closed. Among the metals, the remarkable advances in the production of gold, lead and zinc were most outstanding. Improvements in output marked the totals for silver, copper and cobalt; silver above all. Little change, however, was shown in the tonnage of iron ore exported from stocks at the mines.

Mining now third in rank among Canada's primary industries, contributes extensively to the wealth and prosperity of the Dominion. Large tonnage of freight move from and to the mines; many subsidiary industries depend upon the mining industry for their prosperity. Canada's progress in the production of mineral wealth has been notable particularly in recent years and the developments in established fields and the discovery of new mineral areas and finally the surpassing of all previous records stand prominently before the eyes of the great fact in Canada's industrial and commercial life.

Noted Woman Surgeon Dead

Dame Louisa Brandreth Aldrich Blake, of London, pioneer among women surgeons in England, died, after her duties almost to the last, despite illness suffering for more than a year.

Dame Aldrich Blake was daughter of the London School of Medicine for Women, senior surgeon at the Middlesex Hospital, and a member of the consulting surgeon at the Royal Free Hospital, and a fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine.

Overman's Passion Play

Overman's Passion play, which will present the Passion Play in the city of Jerusalem, is being presented by the company as they originally planned. The war interrupted the regular dramatic presentation of the play. It was the first time since 1912 that the company the Passion play visited the United States.

Muskateer Damaging Boat

A family of muskateer snags anchored in a warm nest under the eaves of a house at Port Arthur, Ont., has been doing considerable damage to the building. The muskateer snags are now being removed by the city authorities.

Man Who Has One Suit

There is no redress for the man who has but one suit of clothes.

That the straw annually burnt on the western prairies to the extent of millions of tons will soon become the most valuable of the raw products from which paper is manufactured seems now almost an accomplished fact.

For several months experiments have been conducted both on behalf of private individuals and also on behalf of provincial governments to ascertain the practicability of making paper from straw. It has been demonstrated beyond a doubt that almost every kind of paper can be manufactured from straw, and negotiations are under way both in the provinces of Alberta and in Manitoba looking to the establishment of mills.

More than one process has been evolved, all to be satisfactory, and the use of straw in the paper industry is being carried out. The process of making paper from straw is being carried out in the provinces of Alberta and in Manitoba looking to the establishment of mills.

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WORLD HAPPENINGS
BRIEFLY TOLD

A referendum on the prohibition of spirits is proposed in the speech from the throne, read at the formal opening of parliament at Oslo, Norway.

The North West Territories imported under permit last year 250 gallons of intoxicants. Permits issued totaled 151.

More British peacocks became extinct in 1925 than in any twentieth century year except 1915, also times above the hundredary year.

Admission charges to the museums controlled by the city of Paris, including the carnivals, have been raised from three to six cents.

Fully 2,000 persons lost their homes and thousands of families are homeless as the result of the recent floods which swept the state of Yaxari, Mexico.

The appointment of John Leslie as vice-president and controller of the Canadian Pacific Railway, announced by E. W. Beatty, chairman and president.

"Nice juicy strawberries, only \$1 a quart," so called strawberries, from Philadelphia and the market bureau declared the price the highest on record for the berries.

With only five members of the Ottawa Unemployed Association having paid their monthly fee of 10 cents and therefore eligible to vote, the association voted itself out of existence by three votes to two.

Legislation will shortly come into effect in England providing for the suspension for 12 months of the license to follow automatically the conviction of a driver of an automobile for drink-driving.

Sir Henry Thornton, president of the Canadian National Railways, will throw the weight of his influence into the promotion of plans to provide more carriers from Canadian ports for Canadian goods, according to a statement made at London.

After several years in Ottawa, where he occupied the post of news editor for the Canadian Press, Harold Raine, former Winnipeg newspaperman, left for New York. He has been appointed to one of the important positions in the Canadian news-gathering organization, that of superintendent of the New York Bureau.

A Notable Comparison

U. S. Spends One Third More on Pictures Than on Education

The people of the United States, according to the Educational Digest, a monthly publication, spend almost twice as much in tobacco as on public school instruction. The women in the Republic spend more on cosmetics, perfume and soft drinks than is expended in public education. We do not for a moment depreciate the expenditure of money for these things—they keep industry busy—but we simply call attention to the expenditures by way of comparison, as in the United States, as well as in Canada there is a constant competition for money for educating the children of the States. The Canadian women and men spend equally as much on hairdressing, hosiery, perfumes, cosmetics, drinks, gum and candy as do the people of the United States, three dollars for personal hygiene to \$1 for public instruction, the most essential thing in democracy—Kinston Whiz.

Economy in British Army

War Office Demands Use of Iron Stirrups Per Cavalry

British cavalry officers have been reminded to use iron stirrups in an economy way which has swept through the war department.

Spurs have been ordered a bit in their shine and polish, but their jungle has not been interfered with.

Spurs in the army came under the ban some weeks ago, but the officers' spurs have been handed out by the department as to be of a used substitute which will still shield but not cost the government so much, anyway.

Find Skeletons Painted Red

Hindu skeletons painted red have been found by Burmese archaeologists in the vicinity of Rangoon.

They are believed to belong to the Chinthee race which inhabited the coast of Korea 2,000 years before Christ.

It was the custom of this ancient race to bury the corpses of their dead with silver, which was believed to preserve the bodies against decomposition.

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Another Great War
Would Crush Civilization

Premier Baldwin Reads Lesson From History of the Roman Empire

Grave warnings of danger arising from the loss of many of the best British lives in war were uttered by Premier Stanley Baldwin in his presidential address at the meeting of the Historical Association in London. After dwelling on the history of Greece and Rome, the Premier said the time came in the history of the British Empire when the influence of enough Romans to carry on the work of the Empire.

There were fears among those in responsible government today that war, by the destruction of the best lives in such great numbers, had left Britain without enough of her breed to carry on the work of the British Empire.

"Our task is hard enough but it will be accomplished," Mr. Baldwin said. "Yet who in Europe does not know that one more war in the west and the civilization of ages will fall with its great shock on the nations of Western Europe, who in historical times have been members of the same great empire, to be at war was 'fraternal insanity'."

Prosperity For Canada

No Doubt That Corner of Depression Has Been Turned

For some time past business men and economic observers in Canada have been saying that trade is on the up grade and that the corner of depression since the war has been turned.

Now there seems no doubt of it. Figures to the end of November have been issued at Ottawa and they show that Canadian exports are sixty million dollars more than the previous year, and about four hundred and seventy million more than in 1922. There is this year a favorable balance of \$14,000,000 in favor of Canadian exports.

Much of this is due to the big field crops, the second largest on record, and, of course, when the farmers the west have money, it follows that industry in general is going to boom. The real results of the fine harvest will be felt in the manufacturing sector next year.

Burmese Ex-Queen Was Sinister Figure

Said To Be Influence Behind Mandalay Massacre in 1929

A romantic and sinister figure was removed from Burmese life when, at her bungalow at Rangoon, the ex-queen, Supayalat, widow of King George V, died from heart failure at the age of 67.

Upon the death of King Mindon in 1879, one of his wives whom she married for her daughter-in-law to marry Theobald. There followed in 1879 the massacre of Mandalay, in which the late king's son, who she loved and who had been murdered. Supayalat was alleged to be the influence behind all Theobald's evil men and in the chaotic reign which followed.

Winnipeg As A Convention City

Twenty-six Conventions Are Already Listed For This Year

Winnipeg next season will entertain twenty-six conventions, large and small, with an aggregate attendance of approximately 15,000 persons. In addition many large tourist parties will arrive here for holidays to include Winnipeg and Manitoba, so that the cross tourist and convention travel will be arranged with great ease.

This is the report of the director of Manitoba tourist and convention bureau after a mission to the United States. He places the figures as comparative and states that Manitoba will be the meet in 1926 of many thousands of United States holiday makers.

Must Trade Mark Goods

Turkey Takes Steps To Safeguard Foreign Trade

After three months, all goods produced in Turkey must bear registered trade marks. It is the duty of the Turkish government to protect the country's trade. It appears that Greek and Armenian traders, living in Greece and Asia Minor, have been sending to foreign markets silks, furs and rades of an inferior quality, but marked "Turkish."

Forget the good you have done to others and the evil they have done to you if you would be happy.

More tin is produced in Alaska than in all of the rest of the United States combined.

ON THE AIR

What Is Doing In The World of Radio

Straight advertising over the radio is selling coffee, paint, women's frocks and a dozen other commodities every day in Seattle.

The only kind of radio receiver found useful in mountainous Switzerland is the many-tubed set. Cheaper sets can't combat the interference offered by mountains and valleys.

In 1929 the first wireless communication was established between England and France, but only between England and France, but also between America and Europe.

A Canadian government radio station opened at Aklayik, within 60 miles of the Arctic Ocean, is in touch with Edmonton, Alberta. This makes the fourth station in a chain to link the Arctic region with civilization.

Following restoration of atrophied art heres in two deaf mutes through listening in on three-radio radio sets. Thos. Rodwell, superintendent of the Manitoba School for the Deaf, has ordered several instruments and an announcer encouraging progress with younger meers.

Calgary recently witnessed the day of last meeting of the Alberta Radio Experimenters' Association, an organization to promote radio research in the province of Alberta. Addresses were given by a number of the workers on technical subjects, covering research work done since the last meeting some months before.

Will Handle Canteen Funds

Saskatchewan Government Appoints Three Members For Provincial Board

The announcement has been made by the Saskatchewan Government of the appointment of three members to the provincial canteen fund board.

The board, appointed by order-in-council of the lieutenant-governor-in-council of the province of Saskatchewan, under the provisions of the Federal Act, will have charge of the administration of the fund.

The share of the residue of the canteen funds of overseas' regiments from this province, which share has been allocated to the province and will be paid when the appointments have been made.

The three members of the board, who will serve without remuneration, will be charged with the duty of receiving, holding, administering, or disposing of the fund, and of the others of the share of the residue of the canteen funds.

Fixed Hours Of Rest

Residents of Constantinople Are Protected By New Law

The municipality has become a model city for persons with weak nerves or irritable dispositions.

Under a morality edict, the hours of the city are to be regulated by the municipality and between midnight and morning are to be regarded strictly as hours of rest for the population.

During these periods residents of houses are not to be disturbed by the playing of hired-guitars, phonographs or pianos, by the raucous cries of peddlers, knife sharpeners, old clothes hawkers, or itinerant hawkers generally.

Under another edict, housewives are forbidden to beat carpets, chop wood, or to hang out washing in the public streets except on Thursdays.

In a third ordinance it is forbidden to stretch oneself out on the pavement, or in the roadway, or to ride either a horse, bicycle, or to take a hand cart on the pavement.

Saskatchewan Hog Pool

Will Send Delegation To Europe To Study Bacon Industry

Officers for the proposed Saskatchewan Hog Pool have been appointed in Saskatchewan. Meetings are being held at various points throughout the province and volunteer organizers are now in the field.

A fund is being set up supported by the Farmers' Union to send a delegation to Great Britain, Ireland and Denmark to study the bacon industry there.

Recognize Only Civil Marriages

Church weddings are being dispensed with in Soviet Russia because of the expense and also because religious marriages no longer are recognized by the state. Many young couples now go straight to the state marriage license bureau, where they can be made man and wife in five minutes at a cost of \$1.50.

Kind words never did a deed when killed by ignorance.

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3—Be afraid.	49—Distant.	16—Little.
4—Stunned by.	50—Public notice.	18—Refusal.
5—One who cures.	51—Strut.	20—Precipitous.
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7—Smell.	53—Faint edges of a far wall.	24—Number.
8—Part of "to be."	54—Horned ruminant.	26—Annoyed.
9—Wages.	55—Sufficient (poet).	28—Measure of distance.
10—Boards.	56—Strip of wood used to fasten edges of a far wall.	30—After a while.
11—Meaning in.	57—Alone.	32—Point of compass.
12—Italy mingled with.	58—A clammy manner.	34—The Cape.
13—Portuguese count.	59—Mohammedan prince.	36—Dealt out sparingly.
14—Speak.	60—In a derogatory way.	38—Satisfy the appetite.
15—Force in.	61—Tip.	40—Vehicle.
16—Telling talk (slang).	62—Meadow.	42—Human beings.
17—Pertaining to publication.	63—Meadow.	44—Exist.
18—Sixth note of diatonic scale.	64—Northward.	46—Exist.
19—Species of heron.	65—Signifying agent.	48—Negative.

Mennonites Return

Seeking to Purchase Old Home Or New Land in the West

A recent Canadian Press dispatch dealing with the return of a number of Mennonites to Western Canada reads in part as follows:

"Groups of Mennonites, who in 1922 and 1923 disposed of their large farm holdings in Western Canada and came to Mexico, have returned here recently and to get back after suffering some hardships and privations through crop failures.

"The Mennonites, originally natives of Russia, are a religious sect opposed to war and desirous always of having their own schools and churches in the western districts they lived in. They are a thrifty hard-working people, though in many cases opposed to Canadian administration, especially the conscription, and they met with great criticism during the war for their objections against taking up arms in the defense of their adopted country.

"When the trek started to Mexico, some of the finest farming country in Manitoba and Saskatchewan was sold by the Mennonites. They brought a good home back are seeking to purchase their old homes again, or are purchasing new land, willing to abide by Canadian laws and to live in peace."

Kemal Pasha Rules Turkey

No One Thinks Of Doubting His Wisdom and Greatness

For the moment, Mustafa Kemal Pasha is everything and everybody, says J. A. Spender, editor of The Westminster Gazette, in another of the special articles he is contributing to his paper from Turkey.

Whatever the Turkish people think of the westernization policy introduced by the president, Mr. Spender writes, no body doubts of the reflecting or questioning of Mustafa Kemal's decrees or of doubting his greatness and wisdom in this or any other matter. His opinions are accepted and his decisions are obeyed.

Mr. Spender asserts that while it would be untrue to say that the Moslem religion is being persecuted in Turkey, it is a fact that the younger Turks are fast losing faith as obsolete and fanatical.

Perhaps, suggests Ignatius Elm, the reason the seventh day was made for rest was because seven days of solid labor would have made one week.

There are people who think that what is lacking in the modern educational system for the young is the old (Chak of Applied Birch.

"Water, this napkin is badly soiled."

"No, sir, only on one side—I folded it the wrong way."

Island of Yap

The island of Yap, which has suffered from a severe storm, is by far the most important cable station in the Pacific. It has a branch of the American Pacific cable to the Philippines and has branch lines radiating to Japan, to Shanghai and to the Dutch East Indies.

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Mrs. R. M. Kerr, of Acadia Valley, was admitted to the hospital on January 30.

Mrs. D. J. Campbell of Bindloss, was admitted to the hospital on January 28.

Jan. Frey, who has been visiting his brother, Ben, at Manitario, has returned to his farm at Acadia Valley.

Mrs. H. Brodie, of Hilda, was admitted to the hospital on January 30.

It is expected that fully three hundred head of horses will be offered for sale by public auction at the big community sale, Friday, February 26.

Fathers! Keep in touch with your boys, bring them to the United Church Sunday evening—hear a "father and son" message.

Miss Cook, who has been night nurse, at the Empress hospital for the past three months, left for her home at Medicine Hat, Tuesday morning.

Dr. MacCharles left this morning on a visit to medical clinics at Winnipeg and Rochester. He expects to return on February 15.

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One inquirer of Jesus in Mark 12: 28-34, expressed himself as agreeing with Jesus' view of the greatest commandment of all—yet in response, Jesus' only comment was, "Thou art not far from the Kingdom of God."

We are led to infer, naturally that religious progress towards Jesus' ideal, calls upon us for something uncommon, something that is not an average possession. It is not enough to be surrounded by Godly influences in home and community, nor to conform outwardly to public religious observances.

Some are of the opinion that belief in the right creeds constitute the most desired achievement—many are eager to show submission by way of actual support of the agencies whose origins are genuinely Christian.

Jesus' inquirer in this instance would seem to merit a score on each of the above counts—yet he was "not far" from the Kingdom. He must have had still some distance to go. There is one thing further, and that is the establishment of an intimately personal relationship with Jesus.

This of course will involve faith—which is simply a theological name for trust or reliance. We assume it towards our friends, why not towards Jesus? It is the same attitude Jesus took up towards his Father. He calls upon us to follow towards himself. No one cometh unto the Father but by me. Let us seek to know to

love and to trust man's best friend.

A Farmer's Account Book

The Dominion Experimental Farms system has published an extremely simple farmer's account book, designed to last a complete year. To "keep" it needs no special knowledge of accounting; simply the ability to write and add; and a record of all transactions might be made in an hour a week. A few plain directions as to making entries, some aids to taking inventories, a table of silo capacities and a gestation table, are given on the inside of the cover.

In the book itself are pages for the entry of receipts and expenditures (both of which may be seen at a glance on the same page) relative to cattle, horses, sheep, swine, poultry, crops and labour; and there is also ample space for miscellaneous items. There is a page for amounts owed to and by

the farm, and forms on which may be made inventories of land and buildings, of live stock, of feed and supplies and of machinery. Following is a page on which may be filled out a summary of the year's business, together with the few directions necessary to filling it out intelligently at the end of year. Further, for the farmer's information there is a table in which to enter acreage and yields of crops, and one in which to keep a livestock service record.

Send for one now, and record your transactions from the beginning of 1926. It is obtainable from the Publications Branch of the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, at a nominal charge of 10c. No postage need be placed on letters of application.

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